which we will end the financial year 1986-87.

(c) With a view to reducing trade deficit, vigorous promotional measures have been taken during the recent past. These include additional measures to promote exports, upgrading of technology in the exports sector, modification and periodic revision of our industrial policies etc. Efforts are also being made to step up our indigenous production of importables during the Seventh Five Year Plan period, particularly in the sphere of bulk imports.

Earnings from textile exports

64. SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that record earnings have been made from textile exports, including garments as reported in the 'Economic Times' of 9th September, 1986; and

(b) whether Government propose to take steps to ensure that the profits are also duly reduced in the earnings of low-paid employees most of whom are working under very poor conditions?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR): (a) There was no such item in the 'Economic Times' of 9th September, 1986. However, there is such a news item in the 'Economic Times' of 9th October, 1986 reporting record export of textiles which is a fact.

(b) The Government has been safeguarding worker's interests through a number of legislative enactments on Minimum Wages, Working Conditions, Provident Fund Benefits, Employees Insurance Scheme, etc.

Setting up of hotels by non-resident Indians

65. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) the number of non-resident Indians who have so far been given permission to start hotel industry in India for developing tourism in the country;

(b) what is the total inflow of funds for the purpose; and

(c) the names of the States where these hotels are likely to be set up by them?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM (MUFTI MOHD. SAYEED): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Revival of sick textile mills in bombay and Ahmedabad

66. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are taking any fresh steps for reviving the sick textile mills in Bombay and Ahmedabad;

(b) whether Government have any plan to extend help to the private entrepreneurs who are coming forward to run those sick mills; and

(c) what is the quantum of loss so far sustained by the private mill owners and also by Government due to the closure of these mills?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR): (a) As envisaged in the New Textile Policy of June, 1985, Government have set up a Nodal Agency to evolve and manage rehabilitation packages in respect of those sick/closed textile mills, which are potentially viable.

(b) Yes, Sir, if the sick textile unit is found to be potentially viable by the Nodal Agency.

(c) Government do not maintain accounts of losses suffered by the privately owned textile mills.